FIRST ANNUAL WISCONSIN PUBLIC SECTOR LABOR RELATIONS CONFERENCE

Presented by the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission Co-Sponsored by the University of Wisconsin Law School and the State Bar of Wisconsin Labor and Employment Law Section

Friday, April 29, 2005 -- UW Law School -- Madison, Wisconsin

Program Note: On-Line Research and WERC Procedures Help Desks will be staffed throughout the conference in the lobby area

8:00-8:45	Registration / Coffee
8:45-9:00	Welcoming Remarks • Judith Neumann, Chair WERC • Kenneth Davis, Dean of UW Law School
9:00-9:45	We're From the State, and We're Here to Help You WERC Update on Significant Cases and Events • Peter Davis, General Counsel, WERC
9:45-10:30	Recent Developments in Labor and Employment Law Update on Significant Court Cases and Events • Carin Clauss, Professor, UW Law School

10:40-11:30 Concurrent Sessions

Session A

Hey – Who Invited You?

Powers of the Police and Fire Commission in Represented Departments Peter Davis, WERC Session Coordinator

- Scott Herrick, Herrick and Kasdorf
- Timothy Hawks, Shneidman, Hawks and Ehlke
- James Korom, von Briesen and Purtell

Session B

No District Left Behind?

Living with the SCEA

William Houlihan, WERC Session Coordinator

- Bruce Meredith, Wisconsin Education Association Council
- Robert Butler, Wisconsin Association of School Boards

Session C

What I Meant to Say Was...

Effective Advocacy in Grievance Arbitration from the Arbitrators' Perspective

David Shaw, WERC Session Coordinator

- Gil Vernon, Arbitrator
- June Weisberger, Arbitrator
- Steven Briggs, Arbitrator

11:40-12:30 Concurrent Sessions

Session D

It Hurts When I Do This...

Health Insurance issues in Bargaining

Lauri Millot, WERC Session Coordinator

- Stephen Weld, Weld, Riley, Prenn and Ricci
- John Parr, Wisconsin Professional Police Association

Session E

WERC Avoidance: Alternatives to Alternate Dispute Resolution

John Emery, WERC Session Coordinator

- Edmond Bielarczyck, Jr., Arbitrator/Trainer
- Duane McCrary, Madison Metropolitan School District
- Sandra Nass. West Suburban UniServ Council

12:30-1:45 **Lunch** — No Speaker

1:45-3:00 Concurrent Sessions

Session F

I Take This Person

Domestic Partner Benefits

Daniel Nielsen, WERC Session Coordinator

- Tamara Packard, Cullen, Weston, Pines and Bach
- Shana Lewis, Lathrop and Clark

Session G

Capped Out

Living with Local Revenue and Spending Controls Karen Mawhinney, WERC Session Coordinator

- Jon Anderson, LaFollette, Godfrey and Kahn
- Richard Abelson, AFSCME District Council 48

Session H

And The Winner Is...

Interest Arbitration Update

Sharon Gallagher, WERC Session Coordinator

- Edward Krinsky, Arbitrator
- William Bracken, Labor Relations Specialist, Davis & Kuelthau
- Harold Lehtinen, Wisconsin Council 40, AFSCME

3:00-3:15 Break — Coffee, Soft Drinks, Cookies

3:15-4:30 Running a Government without Money or People

The Changing Workforce Mix – Part-Timers / LTEs / Quasi-Retirees / Contingent Workers

Susan Bauman, WERC Session Coordinator Presenter:

- Joel Rogers, Professor of Law, Science, and Sociology, UW-Madison; Director, Center on Wisconsin Strategy.
 Reactors:
- Karen Timberlake, State of Wisconsin, OSER
- Marty Beil, Wisconsin State Employees Union
- William Strycker, Madison Area Technical College
- William Kalin, Wisconsin Federation of Teachers

4:30-5:30 Closing Reception